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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

• The Claim(s) commencing on a separate sheet (37 CFR 1.75(h)).

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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In re Application of: Yuhichi Nakamura, et e Serial No.: 09/853,170

Filed: May 10, 2001 Confirmation No. 5940 Docket No. JP920000106US1

Group Art Unit: 2161 Dated: August 29, 2001

For: HOSTING SERVICE SYSTEM HOUSEHOLD ACCOUNT INFORMATION, HOUSEHOLD ACCOUNT SERVER, ACCOUNT INFORMATION PROVIDING SERVER, HOUSEHOLD ACCOUNT INFORMATION PROCESSING SERVER, AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING HOUSEHOLD ACCOUNT INFORMATION USING NETWORK AND STORAGE MEDIUM

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

Submitted herewith is a Declaration, properly signed by the Applicants referencing application Serial No. 09/853,170 as originally filed on May 10, 2001. Accordingly, the above-identified application is now complete. Please charge Deposit Account No. 09-0468 in the amount of \$130.00 for the surcharge for filing the Declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e).

Also in the Notice to File Missing Parts, the application was designated as informal and require the Claims commence on a separate sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 1.75(h). In response to this notice, applicants have herewith submitted substitute pages 26 through 34 (Claims and Abstract) along with a copy of the Notice. No fees are believed to be necessary at this time. However, in the event that any fees are required for the prosecution of this application, please charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account 09-0468. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is needed, the extension is requested. Please charge the fee for this extension to Deposit Account No. 09-0468.

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